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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Patricia Sarcabal  
Christian Croux  
Philippe Soucaille

Serial No.: 10/043,639

Filed: January 9, 2002

For: METHOD FOR PREPARING 1,3-  
PROPANEDIOL BY A RECOMBINANT  
MICRO-ORGANISM IN THE ABSENCE  
OF COENZYME B12 OR ONE OF ITS  
PRECURSORS

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**I. AMENDMENT; II. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 29, 2005 AND  
STATEMENT; AND III. PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2005, (the  
"Action"), for which the date three-month date for response was October 29, 2005.

A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with  
the required fee. This three-month extension will bring the due date to Monday, January 30,

2006, in view of the Saturday, Sunday, Holiday rule, which is within the six-month statutory period.

Further consideration of this case in view of the remarks contained herein is respectfully requested. Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard evidencing receipt of this paper.

**Amendment to the claims** begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

**Statement** begins on page 11 of this paper.

**Petition for Extension of Time** begins on page 14 of this paper.